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IDENTITY

# LGBT panelists discuss race and sexual orientation

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An audience of about 40 students gathered in the Mosaic Cross Cultural Center to listen to a panel of six Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) community members share the struggles with embracing their homosexuality and ethnicity on Wednesday.

“Coloring the Rainbow: the Intersection of Race, Gender and Sexual Orientation” enabled Bay Area LGBT activists Bonnie Sugiyama, Isabela Robinson, Maribel Mar-

tinez, Nori Heras, William Tutol and Parker to speak on a variety of topics such as their preferred gender pronoun, substance abuse, ethnic background and significant moments pertaining to their heritage.

“One thing I like to talk about is the concept of underrepresentation, (and) the fact that people of color are not represented in the queer community,” said Nick Chu, a senior history major and organizer of the panel discussion. “We’re not represented in other places either, but this is a community where it’s all about supposedly accepting others’

differences, furthering equality and loving yourself for all you are.”

Chu said that he knew he was gay at age 12, and that he found it especially challenging as a Chinese-American.

According to Chu, there is a movement about empowering your sexually identity or gender identity, but race is not talked about as frequently in the LGBT community.

Chu said people don’t talk about race and queerness and, consequently, many ethnic LGBT members become self-destructive and face additional insecurities.

“A lot of people don’t realize your gender role is not the same as your sexual orientation,” said junior sociology major Sarah Tran. “There’s a lot of fluidity in sexual orientation.”

Tran said human sexuality is not a black and white matter.

Senior sociology major Lindsey Young said it’s important to talk about race and sexual orientation because people create a sense of identify.

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TRIBUTE

## Officers mourn fallen colleagues



An officer from the Santa Cruz Police Department dries his eyes before the memorial service for Butch Baker & Elizabeth Butler at the HP Pavilion Thursday. More than a 1,000 emergency services personnel from across California attended the ceremony to honor the fallen officers. **Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily**

**By Amanda Hochmuth**  
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A sea of blue swept over HP Pavilion on Thursday as hundreds of uniformed police officers and firefighters, along with their families and community members, gathered to remember two of their own.

Sgt. Detective Loran “Butch” Baker, 51, and Detective Elizabeth Butler, 38, of the Santa Cruz Police Department were shot to death by a suspect on Tuesday, Feb. 26 while investigating a sexual assault case.

The suspect, 35-year-old Jeremy Goulet, was

killed in a shootout with police about 30 minutes after Baker and Butler were gunned down.

It was the first time in Santa Cruz history that two officers have ever been killed in the line of duty.

The memorial originally scheduled for the Kaiser Permanente Arena in Santa Cruz, which holds approximately 3,000, was moved to San Jose’s HP Pavilion, which seats about 20,000, in anticipation of thousands of mourners wanting to pay their respects.

Santa Cruz resident Gail Bowen said the venue change was “appropriate.”

She and fellow attendee Kim Kauss stood out-

side the Pavilion and held a California state flag.

“We came to show support for the officers,” Bowen said.

Kauss, whose uncle is a San Jose police officer, said she wishes that schools would have considered taking the day off to allow even more people to be a part of the memorial service.

“I wish more kids could have gotten to see it,” she said.

Following a motorcade of police vehicles from Santa Cruz to HP Pavilion, uniformed men and women with badges from San Jose, Sunnyvale,

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ENVIRONMENT

## San Jose moves closer to banning polystyrene

*Restaurants might not be able to use plastic foam for food packaging*

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Those to-go boxes you put your food in at restaurants may soon look different.

In a 9-2 vote, the San Jose City Council decided to move forward the ban to phase out expanded polystyrene, also known as plastic foam food packaging in restaurants.

Councilmember Sam Liccardo said this is a big change that will provide many benefits.

“Based on the response from other restaurants in the other cities, I believe it will go very well,” he said.

According to Liccardo, restaurants in over 80 cities around the country have adopted a similar expanded polystyrene, or EPS, ban with much success.

Cheryl Wessling, acting spokeswoman for the city of San Jose, said cities such as San Francisco and Palo Alto have already adopted this ordinance, and businesses have been able to switch over and comply with little trouble.

No major recycling company in the south bay accepts EPS for recycling.

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COMMUNITY

## International House serves up more than pancakes

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There’s nothing like some Japanese octopus balls to go along with your pancakes for breakfast.

The SJSU International House served this not-so-typical breakfast Sunday for its semi-annual Pancake Breakfast.

Waiters bustled around the room in a number of traditional robes and headpieces while bringing the guests their drinks.

Along with takoyaki, a popular ball-shaped snack in Japan filled with octopus, a Nicaraguan dish called vigoron, a Tuscan dessert called salame di cioccolato and pita with hummus was available with the typical American staple of pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage and bacon.

Although pancakes may not scream international as much as the other dishes, the International House has stuck with the original name since the breakfast started in 1983, according to International House director Leann Cherkasky Makhni.

“We keep the name ‘pancake breakfast’

because historically the alumni really like it, because we’ve had it for so many years, but we do think of changing the name,” said community operations manager Kristen Pendleton. “So now we try to put internationally inspired pancake breakfast when we send out emails and Facebook messages.”

Despite the lack of the exotic factor in pancakes, tradition is important for the event and the consensus between the coordinators is pancakes will remain on the menu.

“Here at our house, we have American citizens and international students,” said Tam Nguyen, a graduate student in counseling education. “I think we should keep tradition while adding on other dishes from other countries.”

The title might be misleading to people new to the event, but Vilok Bhatia, a senior marketing major and resident assistant, said most people go the breakfast expecting to be able to try dishes from other countries.

“It’s an opportunity for people to socialize,” said Natasha Lamperti, a junior RTVF major who helped coordinate the breakfast.



Students of the SJSU International House perform the Spartan Mambo for the audience during their pancake breakfast Sunday morning. **Carolyn Seng / Spartan Daily**

“A lot of old alumni from the house come and they’ll see people and they’ll see the house that they haven’t seen in a long time.”

Lamperti also said people can go on tours of the house.

“It’s an opportunity for people who maybe haven’t heard of the International House or haven’t really had an opportunity to come here and see it, to get to know the house and what we’re about and maybe meet some international students,” Lamperti said.

“The fact that all 70 residents worked together to create this amazing event,” Pendleton said.

She said the residents feel a great sense of pride in having a successful Pancake Breakfast because of the learning process in getting to know themselves and each other better.

Dipesh Yadav, a senior computer engineering major, said that setting up the event

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Freshman Marissa Unpingco sticks her dismount from the uneven bars as her coach and teammates explode in celebration during the Spartans’ win Friday night. Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily

GYMNASTICS

Spartans stay balanced in close victory on Senior Night

By Vince Ei  
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The San Jose State gymnastics team committed few flaws in its last home meet of the year beating Boise State, UC Davis and Seattle Pacific University at the Event Center Friday evening.

The Spartans scored the fourth best team total in school history with a score of 195.575, which was just enough to edge out second place Boise State who scored 195.425.

UC Davis earned a 194.500, while Seattle Pacific scored a 191.725.

“Tonight we just stuck with our game plan,” said head coach Wayne Wright. “The past few weeks we’ve done really well but we haven’t done our best gymnastics and I think tonight, we did our best gymnastics.”

He praised the team for nailing all 24 routines without any falls or glaring mistakes and highlighted the floor group who scored 49.300 total, which ties for the third all-time best score in school history, according to SJSU Athletics.

“Tonight was our time and I think we still can do better, and we are going to continue to do better,” Wright said.

The Spartans’ had season-high team scores on beam (48.925) and floor exercises (49.300), according to SJSU Athletics.

Spartan junior Bekah Gher, a transfer from Boise State, scored the highest all-around score of the meet with a score of 39.200.

“Sometimes it’s not a good fit wherever you go and San Jose seems to be a good fit for her,” Wright said.

Gher only competed in one event at Boise State, but said she has found a larger role since coming to SJSU.

“I wanted to show them that I’ve improved and that I am doing more events ... and I think I’m succeeding with it,” Gher said.

Junior Cassandra Harrison tied for second place for all-around with a score of 39.125.

UC Davis was leading after three out of the four rotations but finished in third after strong finishes by the Spartans and Boise State.

*We’ve just been on a roll and it’s been fantastic ... this night was perfect to show what we were really capable of.*

Cassandra Harrison  
Junior

SJSU was in second place after the first three rotations but pushed ahead to get the win with outstanding floor exercises.

Five out of the six competitors scored career bests, according to SJSU Athletics.

Harrison’s score of 9.925 beat her previous best of 9.900, consistently achieved in each of the team’s last three meets, and was the highest floor score of the meet, according to SJSU Athletics.

“I’m just really happy I’ve been able to contribute so much for the team,” Harrison said. “We’ve just been on a roll and it’s been fantastic ... this night was perfect to show what we were really capable of.”

Seniors from all four teams were honored, with three from Boise State, two from Seattle Pacific and four from UC Davis.

The three seniors for SJSU are Victoria Lark, Karlene Simon and Alyssa Telles-Nolan.

“(There’s) definitely motivation to perform well for the seniors,” Gher said. “It’s their last time here at home, so we wanted to come out and have a great meet for them and come out with the win against hard teams.”

Boise State was the highest-ranked team in the competition, coming in at No. 23 in the nation, according to SJSU Athletics.

“I don’t remember the last time we beat Boise,” Harrison said. “It’s one of our biggest rivals – we always want to go in and beat them but we’ve always come up just a little bit short.”

All the Spartans who competed scored higher than their personal averages and outscored their rivals in three out of four events, according to SJSU Athletics.

The Spartans have beaten eight of their last nine opponents, with their last loss coming on Feb. 2 against North Carolina State, according to SJSU Athletics.

The team has two meets left in the regular season, and will travel to Cedar City, Utah on Friday for the next meet against Southern Utah University, University of Iowa, and Ball State.

“We’ve been to Southern Utah before,” Harrison said, “We know the gym. We know the crowd. We know the other team, so we can use our momentum and just keep doing what we’ve been doing and do really well.”

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TENNIS

Squad gets back to winning ways by blanking Utah State

Staff Report

The San Jose State tennis team won all nine matches in a dominating 7-0 shutout against the Southern Utah University Thunderbirds in a non-conference contest at home Saturday morning.

The Spartans (8-4), ranked No. 66 nationally in the March 5 Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Division I poll, were pleased to just one tie-

breaker at number-two doubles as they posted their third dual match win in their last four outings.

The loss came in their last outing on March 3 against the UC Davis Aggies.

Sophomores Jessica Willett and Amber Walker, playing together for the first time this season, trailed Southern Utah’s Veronika Rogova and Madeline Skaras by a 7-0 score, but stormed back to tie the match at 7-7 and won the tiebreaker for an 8-7 match victory.

Senior Chau Truong moved into second-place on the SJSU all-time list for combined singles and doubles victories at 113 with a win at number-three doubles, teaming with sophomore Julianna Bacelar, and a 7-5, 6-3 win at number-two singles over Southern Utah’s Veronika Rogova.

Truong is four away from tying the school record of 117 set by Ashley Tavita, according to SJSU Athletics.

*The doubles team that we put together did a nice job of coming back.*

Sylvain Malroux  
Head coach



Junior Sabastiani Leon Chao prepares to return the ball against Southern Utah during the Spartans’ 7-0 triumph against the Thunderbirds at home on Saturday morning. The Spartans are currently ranked No. 66 in the country. Basil Sai / Spartan Daily

The Spartans changed their lineup for Southern Utah (2-3) following a lower leg injury to sophomore Klaudia Boczova that occurred against UC Davis.

Boczova, ranked No. 40 in the ITA Division singles rankings, was replaced at the top of San Jose State’s singles lineup by junior Sabastiani Leon Chao who recorded a 6-1, 6-2 win.

“Everybody stepped up,” head coach Sylvain Malroux said. “They know if we have one or two players out because of injury or sickness, we have a lot of depth on this team.”

Malroux said he was impressed with the way the team played in doubles matches with the adjustments that had to be made.

“It was a nice win today,” Malroux said. “The doubles team (Willett and Walker) that we put together today did a nice job of coming back. Our other doubles teams keep proving they are doing a good job communicating.”

Malroux said he was pleased to get a win heading into conference play.

“In singles, we played well and took care of business,” Malroux said. “It was a nice win to get us back on track. And now we have 10 days to get ready for conference matches.”

The Spartans return to the court March 20, when they play host to the New Mexico State Aggies in a 2:00 p.m. dual match.



Breakfast: Festivity focuses on multicultural foods, music, dances

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has been easier than past semesters because of the large number of returning residents who want to participate.

*I think we should keep tradition while adding on other dishes from other countries.*

*Tam Nguyen  
Graduate student in counselor education*

“For this semester, it was kind of easy because returning residents already knew what they were supposed to

do,” Yadav said. “This semester has been a lot easier talking to people and making them understand what the deal is about and how big the event is...”

According to Pendleton, 50 out of the 70 residents in the International House are returning residents from the previous semester.

Getting ready for the breakfast created a unique atmosphere around the house and connected residents in a way other events can’t.

“I’m really fascinated by the fact that it’s this one day that practically everybody in the house is kind of doing a part in like having a job or whatever and everybody’s working together, you kind of have to go around and see it,” Nguyen said.

He said the planning began more than a month before the event and they tried to find ways to attract community members to the

event and book entertainment.

“There’s a lot of people who can do a lot of different things, so it’s been kind of fun for me getting people to commit to perform,” Nguyen said. “Last semester we had a lot of people perform, but this semester we had so much that I had to cut back from outside performers.”

There were several singers who performed in different languages, a Japanese acoustic trio, and for the first time, residents formed an a cappella group for a rendition of “Stand By Me.”

An assortment of dance styles entertained diners including a knee-slapping Austrian folk dance that at one point had two out of the four members airborne and a group of Arab dancing rappers.

Senior students Marissa Guzman, an industrial and systems engineering major, and Sarah Dominguez, an



Junior marketing major Yeri Lee serves a dish popular in Asia at the SJSU International House Pancake Breakfast Sunday morning. **Carolyn Seng / Spartan Daily**

advertising major, said the Korean-pop dance routine was their favorite.

Other performances included a tai chi demonstration, guzheng performance, juggling, and magic.

Cherkasky Makhni said

the breakfast started as a fundraiser to keep rent low for the residents, but has transcended into something more than a fundraiser.

“I think people had fun with it from the beginning and they laid the under-

pinnings of what it still is,” Makhni said. “I think that it definitely brought people in and brought people together from the beginning but it’s just grown ... over the years.”

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City council: Local business owners have mixed feelings on potential ban

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cling that has been contaminated with food, making it more difficult to get rid of and more likely to end up as litter, Liccardo said.

“It’s a pervasive form of litter that has a harmful impact on wildlife,” Wessling said. “That impact exists in our local creeks, and the bay and the ocean.”

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*Cheryl Wessling  
Acting spokeswoman for the city of San Jose*

Bryce Antonel, manager of Tandoori Oven in Downtown San Jose, said his restaurant uses plastic foam for most of their food packaging.

“We use (plastic foam) for general food purposes, and also for hot chai tea, which is bad because you shouldn’t be

drinking hot liquids out of it,” he said.

Antonel said he is aware of the environmental impact plastic foam has on the environment, but his company is just trying to keep the cost of food down.

According to Liccardo, restaurants will have a ramp-up time of almost two years to make the switch to a more environmentally friendly food packaging system.

Liccardo said San Jose restaurants will use food packaging from resources that are biodegradable and compostable.

The ban on plastic foam will be very cost effective, he said.

According to Liccardo, the cost difference from moving from EPS to non-EPS would be anywhere from one to three cents, and may cost less than EPS foodware in many cases.

Christine Wu, manager of Hydration Coffee and Tea in Downtown San Jose, said she only uses recyclable material in her food packaging.

“We don’t use foam,” she said. “We never use foam. All (of) our packaging is recyclable.”

Wu said she’s been using recyclable material for 10 years, and is happy to comply with the new city ordinance if it takes effect.

“What makes it really

significant is San Jose is the largest city to take this move,” Wessling said.

Liccardo said he expects to experience results similar to ones that came from the plastic bag ban in San Jose that began January 2012.

There have been dramatic reductions of litter from plastic bags in storm drains, creeks and rivers and city streets, he said.

“The owners (of Tandoori Oven) adamantly refuse to switch until they absolutely have to,” Antonel said. “I don’t know what we could replace it with, but a lot of (our food) can be switched over to foil easily.”

Liccardo said he believes the ban will work because residents will be more likely to recycle or compost their containers, and they will degrade at a higher rate.

City officials still have to provide an environmental impact report in the coming months, Wessling said.

After the report, city council members will vote for a final approval.

Liccardo said the move to non-EPS food packaging will be a good one.

“It’s long past time for San Jose to move forward to remove this contaminant from our creeks, bay and streets,” he said.

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San Jose State sophomore guard D.J. Brown (1) shows his frustration after the Spartans’ 90-67 loss against the Texas State Bobcats at the Event Center Saturday. Zach Toberman / Spartan Daily

BASKETBALL

Unlucky 13: Spartans just can’t halt losing streak

By Christiana Cobb  
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The SJSU men’s basketball team took a 90-67 beating against Texas State in its last home game of the season at the Event Center Saturday night. The Spartans have now lost 13 in a row, with their last win coming on Jan. 8. “(They) started out making everything and their strong shooting continued throughout the game and they just wouldn’t let us catch up,” said head coach George Nessman. Nessman said the team couldn’t stop the offense the way they had hoped and with-

out tight defense, it’s hard to win a game. In their previous match up on Dec. 29, SJSU won 72-55. “We’ve had a lot of roster deletion since (we last played them), and we’ve faced a lot of adversity as a group since then,” Nessman said. “We’ll all admit we’re not as good as a team as we were at that point ... we’re a team that’s still trying real hard, but we’re not as good of a basketball teams that played in December or January.” In the first half, Texas State opened up a lead, and the Spartans struggled to get within striking distance of the Bobcats but they never

caught them, failing to get closer than five points. The Spartans lack of defense resulted in Texas shooting 75 percent from the field in the first half. The last home game of the season was Senior Night and senior guard Aalim Moor said although this was his final home game, he tried to think of the game as more of a celebration with the times he had with his team rather than a sad ending. The first half ended with Texas State leading 52-40. “This (was) Texas State’s highest score in the first half this season,” said Lawrence Fan, media relations director.

In the second half, the Spartans fell behind further. “We moved the ball a lot better in the first half and that led to a lot of easy baskets and a lot of offensive proficiency,” Moor said. “I think in the second half there was a lot of ‘one pass’ jump shots and things like that, and I think the movement wasn’t as crisp as it was in the first half.” In the second half, Spartans fell apart on offense by shooting 32.4 percent on field goals and just 7.7 percent on 3-pointers, contributing to Texas’ largest lead of the game of 27 points midway through the half.

With just 4.1 seconds left in the contest, senior guard LaVanne Pennington and sophomore guard Wesley Davis of Texas State got into each other’s faces, received flagrant fouls, and were ejected. Junior center Alex Brown and senior guard Chris Jones didn’t play due to previous suspensions, Fan said. Nessman said Jones’s suspension has something to do with the recent comments he made to the Spartan Daily about Nessman needing to be dismissed in a story that ran Feb. 25. “You can’t make comments about anyone in your program in a negative way, of course his

suspension has something to do with that,” Nessman said. “Ask any of the players if they liked it, if he had said that about anyone in our program he would have been suspended. It was totally and completely disloyal and wrong for him to say what he said.” With the Western Athletic Conference Tournament starting Tuesday, Moor said sees another opportunity to get a win. The tournament takes place in Las Vegas and ends Saturday. SJSU plays the University of Texas at San Antonio in the first round Tuesday. Christiana Cobb is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

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Today's Crossword Puzzle

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- 24 On edge
- 25 Groups of indigenous plants
- 28 Head covering
- 30 Gutter locale
- 31 "City Slickers" co-star Kirby
- 33 "\_\_\_ Blas" (LeSage novel)
- 36 Make a bad situation worse
- 40 Common conjunction
- 41 Fairytale monsters
- 42 Cryptographer's A
- 43 "\_\_\_ Penh, Cambodia (Var.)
- 44 Adoptable animals
- 46 "Rolling in the Deep" singer
- 49 Preside over, as a committee
- 51 Colorful opening course
- 57 Charles family pet, in film
- 58 Circle measurements
- 59 Poi, essentially
- 60 Sgts. and cps.
- 61 Turn aside, as a gaze
- 62 Good's opponent
- 63 Athletic shoe bottom
- 64 Rancorous, as a divorce
- 65 It gets you a hand

DOWN

- 1 Ready for the dentist's drill
- 2 Lustrous gem
- 3 Bit of reality?
- 4 Captures, as a wild animal
- 5 Balance-sheet pluses
- 6 "Hanging" problems in the 2000 election
- 7 Stretchy seaside sweet
- 8 Pigmented part of the eye
- 9 It can make waves
- 10 Frittered (away)
- 11 Eschew a restaurant
- 12 \_\_\_ up (quits talking)
- 13 Become aware of
- 21 Highly reliable evidence
- 22 "\_\_\_ it" (thief's admission)
- 25 Big cheese in Greece
- 26 Bad spot for dandelions to appear
- 27 Roman who recorded Greek mythology
- 28 Bewildered utterances
- 29 Atomic number of hydrogen
- 31 Abbr. in a real estate ad
- 32 1, 66 or 95, on GPS (Abbr.)
- 33 \_\_\_ monster (lizard)
- 34 Inconclusive
- 35 Sheep hangouts
- 37 \_\_\_ down (softened)
- 38 Teamwork obstacle
- 39 Told a story
- 43 Gratify
- 44 Mental health
- 45 "Whether \_\_\_ nobler ..."
- 46 "\_\_\_ home is his castle"
- 47 '70s "fever"
- 48 Sing the praises of
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Above: Officers from the Santa Cruz Police Department enter the HP Pavilion for the SCPD memorial service honoring Butch Baker & Elizabeth Butler Thursday. Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily

Right: Traffic Sgt. Chris Coale of the San Rafael Police Department waits in the crowd before Thursday’s service in San Jose. Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily



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Memorial: Thousands gather to remember Santa Cruz officers

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Hollister and many other Bay Area cities filed into the arena.

Brandon Mimms, a San Jose firefighter and paramedic, said this tragedy affected more than just the SCPD.

“It’s a sad day for everyone,” he said. “We’re all brothers. We’re all sisters.”

Community members from several cities also came to mourn officers they didn’t know.

Civilians could be seen wearing Santa Cruz T-shirts while others wore red, white and blue ribbons pinned to their shirts.

During the memorial, friends, family members, colleagues and dignitaries shared memories of the fallen officers and words of comfort.

Kevin Vogel, Santa Cruz Police Chief, described Baker and Butler as “two heroes” he believed were made for police work.

While he said that this is something the SCPD has never dealt with before, “remembering who they were will help us get through this together,” he said.

Kamala Harris, Attorney General of California, said that “it takes a very special kind of person” to be in law enforcement.

She told grieving family members and friends that California will always remember Baker and Butler as heroes.

Some in the audience laughed as they heard recollections from various attend-

ees about the many practical jokes Baker had played over the years.

Some cried upon hearing Alexis Butler’s account of the last weekend she shared with her sister, who she said was a proud female in a male-dominated field.

Leon Panetta, former secretary of defense, said the incident that took the officers lives was a horrific, senseless act of violence.

“Those same bullets ripped the fabric of our community and our family,” he said.

Panetta said he believed that too many people looked the other way in regards to investigating Goulet and other similar suspects.

Baker and Butler “did not look the other way,” he said.

Because of their tenacity, they paid what he called the ultimate price, and consequently saved the lives of others.

Upon exiting the arena, mourners saw fire engines with ladders extended that held either side of an American flag – the same flag that was raised over Ground Zero after 9/11.

It had been specially flown in that morning for the occasion.

Streets were blocked off and filled with saluting officers and somber civilians as helicopters flew overhead.

“We will never, ever forget what you did for us,” Panetta said of Baker and Butler.

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Diversity: Speakers share stories of self-acceptance, discrimination



Left to right: Bonnie Sugiyama, Isabela Robinson and Maribel Martinez smile as they listen to William B. Tutol (not shown) speak during the LGBT organizations’ meeting Wednesday night in the MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center. Basil Sar / Spartan Daily

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Panelist Maribel Martinez said people of color are marginalized in various ways.

“So being able to share those different ways is very important,” Martinez said.

Nori Heras, a transgender woman, shared her rejection from her parents as an adolescent, self-identifying herself as omnisexual, her run-ins with the law for teenage prostitution, her nine suicide attempts and finding a sense of belonging while working for several Bay Area LGBT nonprofits.

“I know I have a target on my back for being open, but what I tell people is ‘Shut up,’” Heras said. “I wear that target proudly. And if something does happen to me, everything I’ve ever done would be worth it.”

Heras said she uses her activism to empower LGBT members.

“It’s all about keeping us together and allowing people

to have the ability to realize their potential,” Heras said. “Everyone deserves that.”

Panelist Isabela Robinson provided a comedic anecdote for the audience.

A lot of people don’t realize your gender role is not the same as your sexual orientation.

Sarah Tran  
Junior sociology major

She described an incident where a gentleman shared his distaste for a homosexual man while riding BART.

Robinson, a Hispanic, African-American and Caucasian woman, explained to the gentleman the similarities in discrimination between African-Americans and homosexual men.

She said this attracted much praise from other BART passengers after the gentleman left the car.

“She captured everything comically, but she told some really important points,” Chu said. “She demonstrated this process of educating and of doing things for yourself to better yourself and to feel more comfortable about yourself.”

At the end of the discussion, Robinson said she encouraged the audience members to keep the conversation of race and sexual orientation going.

“Once you sweep (the conversation) under the rug, it stays there,” Robinson said.

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